

*add a14* <sup>7</sup> What is claimed is:

*add B15 add C17* ~~1. An axle driving apparatus which contains a~~

*DD* ~~hydraulic pump driven by an engine and a hydraulic motor connected in association with axles in a transmission casing supporting left and right axles, characterized in that:~~

~~said hydraulic pump is vertically disposed so as to dispose a pump shaft vertically with respect to said axles,~~

~~said hydraulic motor is horizontally disposed so as to dispose a motor shaft in parallel to said axles, and~~

~~a center section to which said hydraulic pump and hydraulic motor are mountable is fixed in said transmission casing.~~

~~2. An axle driving apparatus according to Claim 1, characterized in that:~~

~~said transmission casing is divided into two vertical casings,~~

~~said pump mounting surface of said center section is disposed in parallel with respect to the divided surface of said transmission casing,~~

~~said motor mounting surface is disposed vertically to said divided surface, and~~

~~said center section is mounted to one of said~~

(upper half casing and lower half casing, the axis  
of said motor shaft is positioned on the dividing  
line of said transmission casing, and bearings for  
said motor shaft are held between said upper half  
casing and said lower half casing.

3. An axle driving apparatus according to Claims  
1 and 2, characterized in that said center section  
is provided at the pump mounting surface thereof  
with a rotary surface of a pump cylinder block and  
a bearing for said pump shaft and at said motor  
mounting surface with a rotary surface of a motor  
cylinder block and a bearing for said motor shaft,  
said pump mounting surface and motor mounting surface  
being disposed in an L-like shape, said center sec-  
tion being constituted to be about L-like-shaped  
when viewed in section.

4. An axle driving apparatus according to Claim 2,  
characterized in that said center section is mounted  
to said upper half casing, the casing mounting por-  
tion extending on the same plane as said pump mount-  
ing surface at said center section so as to be on the  
same plane as the butt joint surface of said upper  
half casing with respect to said lower half casing.

5. An axle driving apparatus according to Claims 1,  
2 and 4, characterized in that said center section

~~is provided at three portions with bolt bores~~  
through which bolts are insertable from above  
respectively, so that said three bolts inserted  
into said bolt bores fix said center section to the  
lower surface of said upper half casing.

6. An axle driving apparatus according to Claim 3,  
characterized in that said bearings for said pump  
shaft and motor shaft use spherical bushes respec-  
tively.